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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 13, 2007 in the abovereferenced application, please reconsider the rejection in view of the amendment and remarks presented herein.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning at page 2 of this paper.

Applicants' remarks begin at page 6 of this paper.